



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 5180

BY REPRESENTATIVES BAGUILAT, RODRIGUEZ (R.) AND CATAMCO

AN ACT DECLARING AUGUST 9 OF EVERY YEAR AS THE NATIONAL DAY OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES IN THE PHILIPPINES

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in
Congress assembled:*

1 SECTION 1. *Declaration of Policy.* – It is hereby declared a policy of
2 the government to advance the rights and collective well-being of indigenous
3 peoples through the annual observance of the National Day of Indigenous
4 Peoples in the Philippines.

5 SEC. 2. *Declaration of August 9 of Every Year as the National Day of*
6 *Indigenous Peoples.* – August 9 of every year is hereby declared the National
7 Day of Indigenous Peoples in the Philippines, to be celebrated as a special
8 working holiday.

9 SEC. 3. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – The National
10 Commission on Indigenous Peoples shall promulgate the rules and regulations
11 to implement this Act.

12 SEC. 4. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days
13 following its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in two (2) national
14 newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines.

Approved,